

FISCAL NOTE

SB 3367 - HB 3310

January 29, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to develop a benefit diversion program which provides one-time need-based payments equal to three months of cash assistance, Medicaid and food stamps, child care referrals, child support, and other community, agency, and employment resources. Revises background check requirements for anyone who is employed by a child care agency or is 15 years of age or older and resides in a child care agency.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$10,200,000

Assumptions:

- The Department of Human Services estimates that the development and implementation of a benefit diversion program will increase state expenditures by \$10,200,000 which includes additional personnel to administer the program and the funds that will be provided as payments to needy individuals.
- DHS will not incur a significant increase in expenditures as a result of the proposed revision to background check requirements. Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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